

ORDINANCE NO. BL2019-____

An ordinance providing the honorary street name designation of "Rev. James C. Turner Way" for a portion of Hawkins Street.

WHEREAS, Rev. James Chunn Turner, Sr. was born February 2, 1942 and spent his formative years in Rome, Georgia, before moving to Bronx, New York with his family; and

WHEREAS, Rev. Turner moved to Nashville to begin his theological education at the American Baptist College of the American Baptist Theological Seminary, serving as the understudy to the late Reverend Dr. J.F. Grimmet of New Hope Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, in March of 1973, Rev. Turner became the fourth pastor of New Hope Missionary Baptist Church and served until his death on May 27, 2013; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his contributions at New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Rev. Turner served as the Chaplain of the Davidson County Sheriff's Department, Moderator of the Nashville City Missionary Baptist District Association, Vice President of the Missionary Baptist State Convention of Tennessee, and as a member of the Education Board of the National Baptist Convention of America, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 13.08 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws provides for the designation of honorary street names and signs without amending the Official Street and Alley Acceptance and Maintenance Map for The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, and without requiring residents and businesses to change their address.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That Hawkins Street, between 14th Avenue South and 13th Avenue South, is hereby designated with the honorary street name of "Rev. James C. Turner Way".

Section 2. This honorary street designation shall not require businesses and residents located on Hawkins Street to change their street address.

Section 3. The Department of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed, upon the enactment and approval of this Ordinance, to install the appropriate signage designating this section of roadway as "Rev. James C. Turner Way" in accordance with § 13.08.025 of the Metropolitan Code.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

INTRODUCED BY:

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